

U. S. General Services Administration Web Manager University: New Media Talks

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#### **About Scribd**

- Launched 2007
- Largest social publishing website
  - 10s millions users
  - Millions of documents, 35 billion words
- Upload PDF, PowerPoint, Word, Excel, Text
- Demographic
  - Younger Audience (18-34) is core; Progressive
  - Embedding / Sharing / Facebooking / Twittering
  - Interest in Science, Technology, Business and Politics
  - Majority hold college or graduate degrees; Readers!

#### What Can You Do With Scribd?

- Upload written materials to Scribd.com
  - Build a brand / following / increase exposure
  - SEO (Search Engine Optimization)
- Enable viral sharing of documents / publications
  - Embed documents on websites and blogs
  - Facebooking, Twittering, Linking
- Interact with people about your documents
- Search for interesting written materials
  - Scribd is the largest search engine for written materials



## The Power of Social Media: Mass Personal Connections









"We have technology, finally, that for the first time in human history allows people to really maintain rich connections with much larger numbers of people."

-- Pierre Omidyar, founder of eBay



## Unleashing Written Power

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## Thousands of Untapped Blogs



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#### Written Materials Opportunity

- Communicate swiftly and transparently with constituents
- Better understand their needs, comments and opinions
- Enable anybody to quickly and easily find (and view) your organization's written material
- Proactively express and disseminate the viewpoints of your organization or office
- Try out new things you won't know how successful it might be until you do!



# How Interactivity Changes Everything

#### **Old Way**

Disseminate Information



#### **New Way**

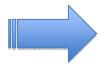
Elicit feedback

Send people updates



People follow you

 Hear from constituents once a month



Daily 2-way interaction

 Documents are pieces of dead trees in file cabinets



 Documents are viral, sharable, magnets for opinions and information

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#### Order of Operations

#### Find written information

- Increasingly difficult to navigate information online
- More websites, more clutter, SEO becoming more important
- Hubbub of voices, unclear which information is correct

## View written information

- Preview, View, Download, One-time use popular (not saved)
- Within the browser simpler than with native application
- Functionality for searching and viewing it "how you want"

#### Share written information

- Socially share information email, embed, Facebook, Twitter
- Comment. Follow. Make lasting connections.
- Social networking component becoming synonymous with



#### Scribd Document Reader



#### Enable Viral, Visual Sharing

Make a call to create a clean energy economy

#### Calling Tips Here are some tips: · Be polite, respectful and clear. · Introduce yourself to whomever answers the phone and let them know you are a constituent - mention what city you live · You can use the sample script below to help you think about what to say. Example Script for Your Calls Hello, my name is and I'm a constituent calling from I'm calling today because I wanted to let Rep. know that I strongly support the American Clean Energy and Security Act, which is scheduled for a vote in Congress this week.



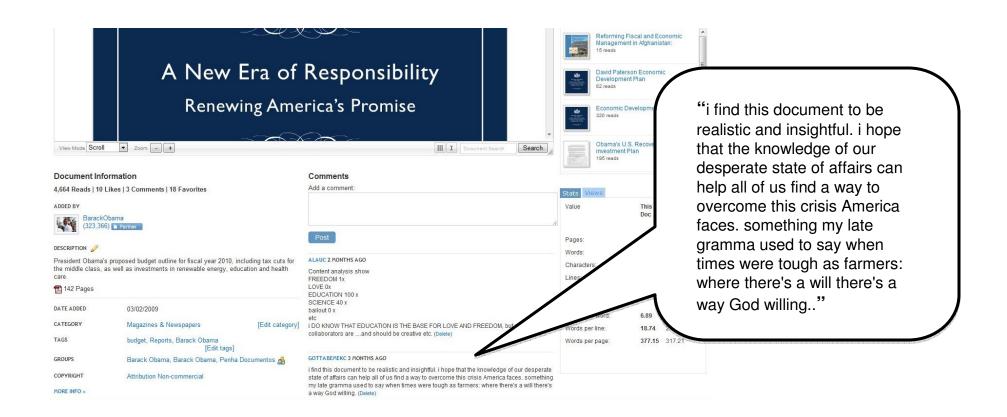


The House is voting on a historic clean energy bill today. Have you called your representative about it? http://bit.ly/aWcDK

9:06 AM Jun 26th from web



#### **Direct Interaction**





#### Elected Officials on Scribd

President Barack Obama (Campaign) www.scribd.com/BarackObama



Senator Mark Warner, Virginia www.scribd.com/MarkWarner



**Arkansas Secretary of State Charlie Daniels** 

www.scribd.com/sosarkansasgov





#### Some Scribd Publishers



















The Washington Post



























# Government Organizations & Non-Profits on Scribd













Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation and Terrorism













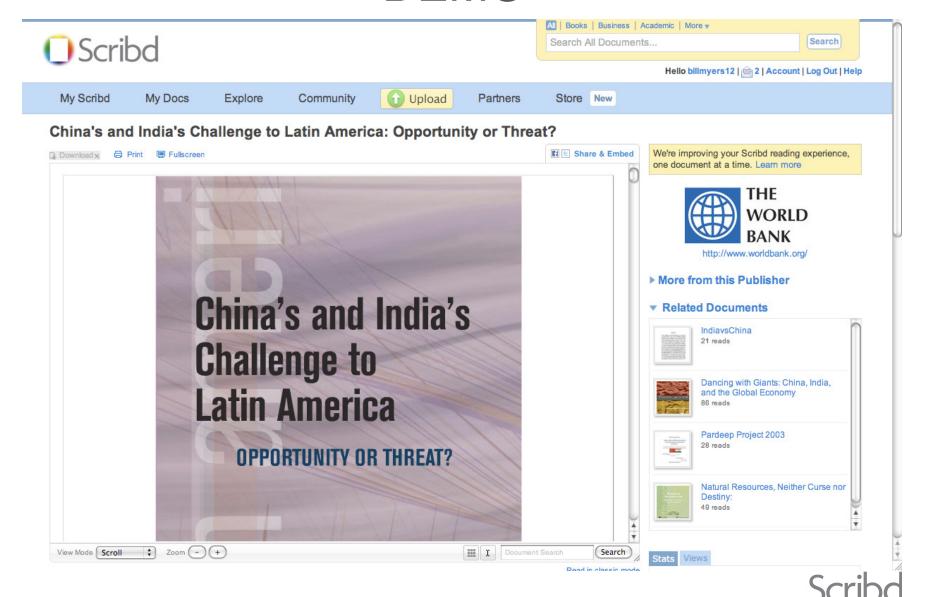


#### Federal Government Agreement

- Have signed terms with GSA
- Modifies TOS slightly (e.g., not governed by state law)
- Please email mike@scribd.com for more information

 508 Compliance – Can download PDF from Scribd Document Viewer

#### **DEMO**



## Thank You.

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